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ENVIRONMENTAL COST OF CONVENTIONAL ENERGY
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to evolve a rational energy pricing framework that takes into account the environmental cost of conventional energy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN)

(a), (b) & (c): The Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources has prepared a draft Renewable Energy Policy Statement which has proposed preferential prices for renewable energy on account of environmental costs and other externalities associated with conventional energy.

The draft of the Policy Statement has been submitted by the Ministry for further approval. An Action Plan, including the details of the preferential pricing framework, will be prepared after approval of the Policy Statement.